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Subject: South Acton neighbor input -- Jen Chen

CRC,

This is the first of a few emails I received personally, that I am passing along to you as input from South Acton neighbors, regarding the use of the Caouette Land. This one was specifically in regards to Rail Trail parking.

~ Clare Siska

-----Original Message-----

From: Jennifer Chen [mailto:jennccchen@verizon.net]

Sent: jeudi 12 mai 2011 19:26

To: csiska@verizon.net

Subject: RE: hoping to hear your thoughts...

Hi Clare

Thanks for asking.

I haven't put together my thoughts completely but so far, I personally don't have a big problem with a lot tucked in the woods near the trail behind the field. In an ideal world, I would prefer to use parking that is already paved and in existence elsewhere to keep the character of the field. So, if that was possible, that would be MUCH better. But if not, I don't see it being too obtrusive if it is tucked away and the cars go around the perimeter of the short side of the field to get to the lot. If it didn't have to be paved that would be even better. I am trying to be sympathetic with the abutters and putting myself in their shoes. But, except for the cars, (in my case it is the train) It is not that different from what I experience every day when I look out my back window – people on bikes, kids and families walking to the train and people walking their dogs etc. I don't think that cars going about 10 miles and hour in and out of the parking lot will be that much of a disruption but maybe i am missing something. Again, I am trying to put myself in the abutters' shoes and want to be sensitive to their concerns, as well. But right now, if there were no alternatives, the lot tucked back in the woods seems like a good option.

Jenn (Chen)